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Washington, D.C. 20231

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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Copies of the listed references are not enclosed, because they were previously cited or submitted to the Office in prior Application No. 08/931,856, filed September 16, 1997 in the name(s) of R. B. Basham et al. and having the title "Automated Data Storage Library With Control Path To Shared Robotic Device Via Media Drive". M.P.E.P. 609.


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**PUBLICATIONS / OTHER ART**

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